



**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
CONSTRUCTION CODES COORDINATING BOARD**  
*c/o DCRA – 1100 4th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20024*

**CODE CHANGE PROPOSAL FORM**

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CODE: Property Maintenance      SECTION NO. 606      SUBCOMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO. PM-6-2 version 3  
PROPOSING SUBCOMMITTEE: PM      CHAIR: Fetterman      PHONE: 202 625-2525      E-mail: fetterman-dc@att.net  
DATES OF PROPOSAL: 7-28-2010      CCCB PRESENTATION: 8-09-2010      CCCB APPROVAL:

CHECK ONE      ☐ *Revise section to read as follows:*      ☒ *Delete section and substitute the following:*  
                         ☐ *Add new section to read as follows:*      ☐ *Delete section without substitution.*

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UNDERLINE TEXT TO BE ADDED

Use additional sheets of the form, if necessary.

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Anticipated impact of code change on cost of construction (CHECK ONE)

☐ *Increase*      ☐ *Decrease*      ☒ *Negligible*      ☐ *Unknown*

*Per 1,000 SF single-family dwelling      to*  
*Per 1,000SF of commercial building      to*

**JUSTIFICATION OF CHANGE:**

Please reference one or more of the criteria required

- ☐ To address a critical life/safety, health, general welfare need.  
☒ To address a specific District of Columbia policy or statute  
☐ For consistency with federal, or with reference to the Metro DC area (MD, VA) codes  
☐ Address a unique character issue in the District of Columbia  
☐ Correction of errors and omissions  
☐ Other (explain)

These code changes are rewritten, but similar, to those in 12 DCMR 2008 construction codes. More kinds of vertical conveyance systems are included (“Cartveyors” and manlifts, for example), a requirement is added to maintain accessibility provisions of vertical transportation systems, exceptions for systems associated with individual dwelling units are added and, in most circumstances, all equipment is to be in service. 606.5 was separately discussed and approved as PM-6-5 and then re-incorporated into this amendment.



*Delete Section 606 of the Property Maintenance Code in its entirety and add the following:*

## **SECTION PM-606G ELEVATORS AND CONVEYING SYSTEMS [MF1]**

**606.1 General.** Existing elevators and conveying systems and their components shall comply with the Property Maintenance Code and referenced standards. Conveying systems shall include, but not be limited to elevators, dumbwaiters, escalators, “Cartveyors” (escalators for shopping carts), moving walks, platform (both inclined and vertical wheelchair) lifts, stairway chairlifts and belt manlifts.

**606.2 Referenced standards.** Except as otherwise provided for in this code, the maintenance, inspection and testing of all elevators and conveying systems and their components, including the frequency of inspections and testing, shall conform to ASME A17.1 (including Appendix N), ASME A18.1, ASME A90.1, and ASME B20.1.

**PM-606.13 Maintenance, inspections and testsGeneral.** ~~Elevators and conveying systems, including, but not limited to escalators, dumbwaiters, wheelchair lifts, and moving walks, shall be maintained in compliance with ASME A17.1 Section 8.6, and shall be subjected to acceptance and maintenance tests and periodic inspections as required by the Property Maintenance Code and referenced standards. Inspections and tests shall be performed at not less than the periodical intervals listed in ASME A17.1, Appendix N. A certificate of inspection will be issued by the code official for each unit of equipment which has satisfactorily met all of the inspections and tests required herein.~~

**PM-606.1.1 Periodic Tests and Periodic Inspections.** ~~Periodic tests and inspections shall be made by the code official, or by an approved third party agency, and shall be made at the expense and responsibility of the owner. Where such tests and inspections are not made by the code official, the approved agency shall submit a detailed report of the tests and inspections to the code official on approved forms not more than 30 days after completion of the tests and inspections.~~

**PM-606.1.2 Content of Certificate.** ~~The certificate shall bear the name and signature of the person who made the periodic inspection and witnessed the periodic and maintenance tests, and shall designate the rated load and speed, and the date of the inspections and tests.~~

**PM-606.1.3 Posting of Certificate.** ~~The most current certificate of inspection shall be on display at all times within the elevator or attached to the conveying system, or the certificate shall be available for public inspection in the office of the building operator.~~

**PM-606.1.4 Certificate of Compliance for New, Relocated or Altered Equipment.** ~~New, relocated or altered elevators and conveying systems may not be operated unless a final or limited certificate of compliance has been obtained in accordance with Section 3007 of the *Building Code*. and their components shall be maintained, inspected and tested as required by the Property Maintenance Code and referenced standards. Required inspections and tests shall be made by the code official, or by an approved third party agency, and shall be made at the expense and responsibility of the owner. A copy of inspection~~



and service reports for each unit of equipment shall be available for public inspection on site in the office of the building operator.

**606.3.1 Cartveyors.** Cartveyors shall be maintained per original equipment manufacturer's recommendations. Inspection and testing shall be at the same frequency as escalators in ASME A17.1 Appendix N.

**606.3.2 Accessibility.** Elevators and conveying systems required to be accessible shall conform to the accessibility codes and standards in effect when the equipment received its building permit.

**PM-606.4 Reports and certificates.** Where inspections and tests are not made by the code official, the approved agency shall submit a report of the inspections and tests to the code official on DCRA approved forms not more than 30 days after completion of the inspection and tests. Every two years, upon regular receipt of satisfactory inspection and test reports, the code official shall authorize the issuance of a certificate for each unit of equipment. A copy of the most current certificate of inspection shall be on display at all times within the elevator or attached to the conveying system, or the certificate shall be available for public inspection on site in the office of the building operator.

**Exceptions:** The submission of reports to the code official, the issuance of certificates and display of certificates are not required:

1. In Group R-2 and R-3 occupancies where the equipment is serving one dwelling unit.

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2. In buildings under the jurisdiction of the Residential code where the equipment is serving one dwelling unit.

**PM-606.25 ElevatorsEquipment in operation.** In buildings equipped with ~~passenger~~ elevators and conveying systems, ~~at least one elevator~~ all equipment shall be maintained in operation at all times when the building is occupied unless an appropriate permit has been issued.

**Exception:** Buildings equipped with only one elevator or conveying system shall be permitted to have the elevator or conveying system temporarily out of service for testing or servicing.

~~**PM-606.3 Maintenance, repair, alteration of existing elevators, and replacement of components or subsystems in existing elevators.** Existing elevators shall comply with the *Existing Building Code*.~~ [MF2]

